



## **Health Care Reform Goals**

As our country debates the important issue of health care reform, I'd like to share with you a few of the goals that I hope any proposed reform measure will meet.

### **I FAVOR:**

- Sensible, fiscally-responsible reform that does not add to our national debt
- A public health insurance option, for those who 1) cannot afford their employer-provided private health insurance; 2) are uninsured, or; 3) are unhappy with their private insurance
- Allowing you to keep your current private health insurance and doctor if you are currently satisfied
- Ending the insurance companies' practice of discrimination based on pre-existing health conditions
- Improving Medicare for our seniors by eliminating co-pays for preventative care and closing the gap in prescription drug coverage known as "the doughnut hole"
- Expanding the health care workforce, especially primary care physicians and nurses
- Investing in preventative care and wellness efforts

### **I DO NOT FAVOR:**

- Increasing the national debt to pay for health care reform
- Government intervention in personal medical decisions, including doctor and treatment choices
- Insurance coverage for illegal immigrants
- A single-payer system, like that of Canada, New Zealand and many European countries
- Taxing the middle-class to pay for health care reform
- Euthanasia or mandatory end of life counseling for seniors